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SUBJECT: INMARSAT CONFERENCE, SECOND SESSION: DAY 7

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SUMMARY: TUESDAY ACTIVITIES CONSISTED OF SHORT PLENARY TO DISCUSS INTERIM ARRANGEMENTS AND COMMITTEE I AND II MEETINGS. WORKING GROUP OF 18 FORMED TO CONSIDER INTERIM ARRANEEMENTS. COMMITTEE I MADE DECISION IN PRINCIPLE ON TREATMENT OF PRIVILEGES AND IMMUNITIES. COMMITTEE II AGREED ON TEXT OF SEVERAL ARTICLES. END SUMMARY.

1. PLENARY - CONFERENCE MET IN SHORT PLENARY TUESDAY TO CONSIDER EUR PROPOSAL FOR INTERIM ARRANGEMENTS. CHAIRMAN ALSO PRESENTED AT SAME TIME US PAPER (19) PROPOSING STUDY OF SHIP TERMINAL RELIABILITY, BUT THIS WAS NOT PURSUED BY ANY DELEGATION. INDIA WAS GENERAL SPOKESMAN FOR COUNTRIES FAVORING REVISION OF EUR CONCEPTS, ASKING FOR EXTENSION OF TIME LIMIT ON GOVT'S LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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DECISION TO PARTICIPATE, ADVOCATING A SORT OF PRO-

VISIONAL COUNCIL, AND QUESTIONING PROCEDURE ON HOW INTERIM ARRANGEMENT WOULD COME INTO FORCE. SOME DISCUSSION FOLLOWED ON WHETHER FULL 100 PERCENT SUBSCRIPTION OF INITIAL INVESTMENT SHARES WAS REQUIRED BEFORE INTERIM ARRANGEMENTS COULD COME INTO OPERATION. JAPAN DID NOT RULE OUT THAT DESIGNATED ENTITY COULD MEET FINANCING BUT NEEDED MORE TIME TO MAKE DECISION. US SAID IT SAW NECESSITY OF CERTAIN AMOUNT OF WORK TO BE ACCOMPLISHED SUCH AS NECESSARY STUDIES, BUT WISHED PROCEED WITH LESS ELABORATE ARRANGEMENTS. WORKING GROUP WAS ESTABLISHED WITH SONDAAL OF NETHERLANDS AS CHAIRMAN TO CONSIDER PROBLEM AND MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS. IMCO REP OFFERED LIMITED ASSISTANCE OF IMCO IN ARRANGING FOR INTERIM MEETILGS AND OTHER SERVICES.

COMMENT: US DEL HAS DISCUSSED THIS COMPLEX ISSUE BUT HAS NOT YET FULLY CLARIFIED POSITION. GENERAL FEELING IS THAT SOME WORK NEEDS TO BE DONE AND THAT US SHOULD PARTICIPATE. DEL WILL REPORT PROGRESS IN WORKING GROUP.

- 2. COMMITTEE I DEALT WITH THE FOLLOWING ARTICLES OF THE CONVENTION:
- A. 28 PROCUREMENT WAS PASSED ESSENTIALLY AS IN ISWG TEXT. RE PARA 2(A): CONTRACT MINIMUM FOR COMPETITIVE BIDDING WAS REFERRED TO COMMITTEE II; COUNCIL VOTING REQUIREMENT SAME AS FOR SUBSTANTIVE DECISIONS. 2(E) EXCEPTION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES REMAINED IN TEXT ON CLOSE VOTE. US PROPOSAL TO MOVE TEXT TO OPERATING AGREEMENT DEFEATED BY WIDE MARGIN.
- B. 29 DISCUSSION ON INVENTIONS AND TECHNICAL INFORMATION DEFERRED AT REQUEST US PENDING SUBMISSION OF PAPER.

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C. 30 - INITIAL DISCUSSION ON PRIVILEGES AND IMMUNITIES REVOLVED AROUND OPTIONS FOR COMPREHENSIVE PROTOCOL OR SHORT ARTICLE ESTABLISHING ESSENTIAL PRINCIPLES. VOTE WAS 18-16 IN FAVOR OF PROTOCOL APPROACH BUT THIS WAS REVERSED IN ADTERNOON DECISION PROMOTED BY US TO DRAFT IN PRIVATE DIQCUSSIONS AN ARTICLE PUTTING FORTH ESSENTIAL PRITILEGES AND IMMUNITIES TO BE ACCORDED ORGANIZATION. JAPAN PROPOSED INTELSAT ARTICLE. FURTHER DISCUSSION DEFERRED.

## 3. COMMITTEE II:

A. ART XI (SETTLEMENT UPON WITHDRAWAL OR TERMINATION); PARA (3) ADOPTED WITH RETENTION OF ALL BRACKETED LANGUAGE; REFERENCE TO ART VII CHARGED TO ART VIII. PARA (4) ADOPTED WITH RETENTION OF "THIS ARTICLE". PARA (5) ADOPTED.

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B. ART 24 (CMNVENTION) EXCLUDED COSTS; COMMITTEE AGREED ON TEXT OF SUBPARA (A); OPINION ON RETENTION OR DELETION SUBPARA (B) ABOUT EVENLY DIVIDED AMONG THOSE SPEAKING. SOVIETS STRONGLY SUPPORTED INCLUSION OF SUBPARA (B). WHEN ISSUE BROUGHT TO VOTE COMMITTEE DECIDED TO DELETE SUBPARA (B) (17 IN FAVOR (US)) AND TO INCLUDE ART 24 IN CONVENTION (21 IN FAVOR); 8 MEMBERS (INCLUDING US) VOTED TO HAVE ART 24 TRANSFERRED TO OPERATING AGREEMENT.

C. ART 6BIS (CONVENTION) FINANCING OF THE ORGANIZATION: REDRAFT PREPAPED BY AD HOC GROUP TO INCLUDE VIEWS OF

JAPANESE ON "SOUND FINANCIAL PRINCIPLES" AGREED BY COMMITTEE II. NEW SUBPARA (3) STATES QUOTE (3) THE ORGANIZATION QHALL OPERATE ON A (COMMERCIAL) (SELF-SUPPORTING) BASIS AND IN ACCORDANCE WITH SOUND FINANCIAL PRINCIPLES UNQUOTE. FOOTNOTE STATES THIS INCLUDED WITHOUT PREJUDICE TO FINAL DECISION ON WHERE SUCH LANGUAGE MIGHT EVENTUALLY BE PLACED IN TEXTS.

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